

CREW NOT READY
FOR NEW CRUISER

West Virginia Will Not be
Commissioned for Nine
Days.

BELIEVED TO BE MURDER

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NEWPORT NEWS, VA., Feb. 14.—It was announced at the shipyard to-day that preparations for the commissioning of the armored cruiser West Virginia, which was to have been formally turned over to the government to-morrow, were not completed, and that the event had been postponed until Thursday, February 23d. The crew is being assembled at the Norfolk navy yard, and most of the officers have already arrived here, but at the last moment it was found that it would be impossible to commission the ship at the time set.

THOUGHT TO BE MURDER

A theory is being advanced along the water front to the effect that Captain Carl Swenson and two seamen, belonging to the coal barge Gaston, were murdered here on December 23d. On that day the captain and his men started ashore from the barge, which was at anchor in the harbor here, during a violent storm. They were never seen again, and it was generally supposed that their dory capsized and they were drowned. The dory was never found, but several days ago workmen discovered a pocketbook floating near Chesapeake and Ohio pier No. 8. The purse proved to be the property of Captain Swenson, and it contained numerous valuable papers, but no money. The book has been put in the hands of Deputy Collector of Customs Charles Spencer, who is making an investigation.

It is suggested that Swenson and his men reached the shore in safety and met with foul play.

WILLARD A VISITOR

Lieutenant-Governor Joseph E. Willard arrived in the city this evening, and is the guest of Mr. J. L. Patton. Mr. Willard is here on private business, but many of his political friends are calling upon him to discuss the outlook for the campaign.

The jury in the Circuit Court to-day rendered a verdict for the plaintiff in the case of L. M. Wilson against Perkins and Mason, receivers for the Hampton Roads Railway and Electric Company, giving judgment for \$400. The plaintiff was a conductor on the defendant company's line, and was dangerously hurt in a rear end collision on the road. The suit was for \$100,000 damages. Robert Weymouth, a motorman, sued for the same amount, and the case was to have been taken up during this term of the court, but it is understood that the parties have agreed upon a compromise.

CHESTERFIELD COURT.

The Roads So Bad That All
Cases Are Postponed.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
CHESTERFIELD, VA., Feb. 14.—In the Circuit Court to-day, which was opened by Judge Watson about midday, little was done save to recognize the colored youths, Coleman and Brown, represented by Mr. E. H. Wells, for their appearance at the next term of court, to be tried, along with William Bower, for murder.

Four of the jurors summoned, not having heard of the postponement of Bower's trial, took long drives to court, and were late. The other jurors, who came from Centralia before being turned back, the unanimous opinion of those who came was that the roads were so bad that traveling more hazardous than they had found it for years, and the judge's decision of yesterday to continue the trial and suits of importance to the next term is generally commended.

Some work may be gone into later in the month before the final adjournment.

LINKOUS CONFIRMED.

Still Proclaims His Innocence.
May Get a Respite.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
RADFORD, VA., Feb. 14.—James Linkous, the condemned man, was confirmed by Rev. Mr. Fox, of the Lutheran Church, a few nights ago and after the service again proclaimed his innocence in the presence of about thirty persons. He has not given up hope of escaping the gallows, although he professes to be willing and ready to die at any time. It is not at all probable that Linkous will have Friday, Thornton Massie, of Philadelphia, has petitioned the Governor for a thirty-day respite, owing to the illness of Linkous's counsel, Attorney Morton, which has delayed the preparation of the papers necessary to carry the case to the Supreme Court. Prosecuting Attorney Jordan has written the Governor that he thinks the respite should be granted on account of Mr. Morton's illness, though he feels that an appeal to the Supreme Court will be utterly useless, as there are no grounds for granting a new trial.

A DREAD DISEASE.

A Mild Form of Smallpox Pre-
vails Near Offley.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
OFFLEY, HANOVER CO., VA., Feb. 14.—Smallpox, or something very much like it, has been in this locality since last fall. It first appeared amongst the negroes, but lately it has broken out in some of the best white people of the free schools in this district have been suspended on account of the disease. It has been seriously sick from it. It has about paralyzed business here, and it is said to go to the other man's house.

TWENTY THOUSAND
SUSPENDING BOND

Virginia Passenger and Power
Company to Meet Fisher
in Supreme Court.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PETERSBURG, VA., Feb. 14.—A twenty thousand dollar suspending bond was given in the Hustings Court by the Virginia Passenger and Power Company to-day. They can now appeal to the Supreme Court of Virginia from the decision in favor of Fisher, recently rendered by Judge Mullen.

John E. Redwood, one of the Baltimore stockholders, who filed a cross-bill, to-day, joined with the Virginia Passenger and Power Company in giving the bond. The decrees orders that engraved coupon bonds shall be substituted for the printed bonds, dismisses the cross-bill, and dissolves an injunction restraining Mr. Fisher and his associates from dealing in the bonds, which are to be delivered to their owners by the receivers.

COULD NOT AGREE.
The three Republican Fourth District conference were unable to agree on either candidate for the postmastership at Offley, after remaining in session at the Chesterfield Hotel about half the night. It is understood that the matter may be referred to the postmaster-general. The two candidates for the office are Mr. Stanley Moore, the incumbent, and Mr. Thomas T. Snyder.

Dr. S. C. Mitchell, of Richmond College, will lecture on "The Modern Viking" at A. P. Hill Camp Hall about the 6th of March, under the auspices of the Women's Club.

ASHLAND AFFAIRS.

Initial Smoker of New Hanover
Club—Annual Debate.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
ASHLAND, VA., Feb. 14.—The initial "smoker" of the new Hanover Club was given in the club rooms on Saturday night, and was well attended. A number of well known gentlemen attended from Richmond. An elaborate lunch was served at 1 o'clock.

Mr. W. B. Beauchamp, of Newport News, delivered a series of addresses before the college Young Men's Christian Association last evening, and as a result over twelve young men have manifested an interest in conversion. The annual debate between colleges will take place this year at Ashland. On the 22d of February, at 8:30 P. M., Trinity College, of North Carolina, and Randolph-Macon, will take part in a joint debate. The debaters from Trinity College will be Mr. J. L. Harrell, Mr. R. S. Womble and the following from Randolph-Macon: Mr. J. E. H. Mann and Mr. W. L. Cheery. Judges—Hon. R. Walter Moore, Professor S. C. Mitchell and Judge George Snellings, of Winchester.

A beautiful Valentine party was given here to-night at the residence of Mr. E. Potts by Miss Louise Potts, in honor of her special guests, Miss Mary Pleasant, of Boynton, Va., and Miss Adelaide Snellings, of Winchester.

A new form of influenza is now in popular use on the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company between Ashland and Richmond, which includes the many inducements offered by this road to persons making this place their home. It is known as the "fifty trip" ticket, costing \$10 good for twelve months, at a cost of twenty cents each way between these two points. It is transferable to members of the same family, etc.

Professor D. B. Easter, of Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, spent Sunday

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WE have all been told of the tremendous waste of power that for countless ages occurred at Niagara Falls. Such waste is small compared with the enormous waste of human vitality that occurs every day in this country. We must practice economy of vital powers to reap success. The average man wastes his forces in a thousand ways. We should have an equilibrium in the body forces that will not overbalance or topple over at any one point and lead us into trouble. Nervous people waste their energies very often. Economy of vital force is an art. It can be learned by human beings who study their bodies and their health. Excitement, worry, etc., kill more people than can be laid at the door of the germs of disease.

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CONSTANT CHANGE.

As constantly changing as the drops of water that go to make up the mighty oceans are the cells and elements that go to make up the tissues of the body. Life means simply a constant death and replacement going on in our bodies, and as the old cells become worn out, new ones must be developed to take their places. This necessitates not only constant and sufficient supplies of suitable nourishment, but also that some means must be provided to carry away and dispose of the dead and worn out material. In health both these functions are served

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WALKER CRAWLEY.

A Colored Man Who Was One
of Nature's Noblemen.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
FAIRMOUNT, VA., Feb. 14.—Walker Crawley died at Hampden-Sidney, his home on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, and his funeral took place to-day. This worthy colored man will be greatly missed from the ranks of the living. For

HIS WIFE WOKE HIM UP

Connecticut Man Nearly Choked to Death
in Night.

No comment is needed on the following letter. It tells of fearful experiences that have fortunately been overcome.

Dear Sirs:—In the night my wife had to wake me up because I was almost choking to death with catarrh. I had one of the worst cases that was ever known, and skillful physicians said it was chronic.

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CHILLY

a quarter of a century he had driven a

back between Hampden-Sidney and Farmville, and during that time had won the confidence and esteem of the traveling public, and many of the best friends among men and women of highest rank in church and State. During all those years he was the banker for the hill, and he had a hand in every money loan any other man of his day outside strictly banking circles. His honesty was never questioned, and his fidelity to his trust was without a flaw. Hampden-Sidney had no more loyal supporter, nor a truer friend. He knew his place in life and kept it; his duties and performed them conscientiously and well. His politeness never failed him, for his good cheer.

CHARLOTTESVILLE FIRE.

Whole Block Threatened and
Weather at Zero.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., Feb. 14.—At midnight last night fire was discovered in the tailoring establishment of T. O. Conlon, on Main Street, in the heart of the city, destroying the large brick structure occupied by Conlon and E. Shaper, dry goods merchants, with their contents. A stiff western breeze was blowing at the time, and it was difficult to get the flames under control. For a time the fire proved to be a disastrous conflagration, and it looked as if the whole block might go. After a slow and stubborn fight the flames were confined to the one building. The firemen suffered painfully from the cold, the thermometer being near zero and the wind very cutting.

The building was the property of Mr. J. E. Powers, of White Hall, one of the most substantial residents of Albemarle, and was insured. The loss to Mr. Conlon, amounting to \$1,000, largely in patterns, was fully insured. Fortunately, his spring goods had just arrived and had not yet been taken from the freight depot. Shaper's loss is \$50,000; insurance, \$2,000. The fire originated in Conlon's establishment,

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